

# VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Creativity involves breaking out of established patterns in order to look at things in a different way."  $\sim$  Edward de Bono

April 17, 2013

### Arbor Day Tree Distribution - April 25, 26

Volunteers are needed for Sycamore Land Trust's Arbor Day tree giveaway. On Thurs. April 25, volunteers will wrap and package trees to be distributed the following day. Packaging will take place at the Sycamore office at 4898 E. Heritage Woods Rd. from 4:30-6 p.m. Vibrant, outgoing volunteers are also needed from 4-7 p.m. on Fri. April 26 to distribute the seedlings. Minimum age is 16. Please RSVP by April 18 by contacting Lauren Hayes at 812-336-5382, ext. 102 or hayes.laurene@gmail.com. (www.sycamorelandtrust.org)

### CASA Child Advocates – deadline May 24

Court Appointed Special Advocates, or CASA volunteers, change the lives of abused and neglected children by representing their best interests in court. CASA volunteers monitor the child's health and education, help identify the best interests of the child, submit recommendations to the court, and are sworn officers of the court. Monroe County CASA urgently needs community members like you to become child advocates to serve children on a waitlist. Applications are due May 24 for the next training which will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-8:30 p.m. from June 4 to July 11. There will also be an information session at 5:30 p.m. on May 2 for those with questions. CASAs must be 21 and have both reliable transportation and daytime flexibility. The average time commitment is 10-15 hours a month. The application can be found on the website. Please contact them at info@monroecountycasa.org or (812)333-2272. (www.monroecountycasa.org)

### **Community Wish List Spotlight**

## **City of Bloomington Animal Care and Control**

Provides shelter for homeless animals, assists in re-uniting lost pets with their families, and welcomes visitors to adopt a new best friend. To grant a wish, contact Virgil Sauder at sauderv@bloomington.in.gov or (812) 349-3871 (3410 S. Walnut St.; www.bloomington.in.gov/animalshelter)

Wishes: bleach, paper towels, dog and cat toys and food, stainless steel dog and cat bowls, new litter pans, large and intermediate dog crates, bedding for kennels

Use the <u>Community Wish List</u> to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

### Clips of Faith Beer and Film Tour - May 31

Over 75 volunteers are needed to make the Clips of Faith Beer and Film Tour on May 31 a success. Held at Bryan Park, this fun fundraiser is for the Center for Sustainable Living, in partnership with the New Belgium Brewing Company. All volunteers will receive three free raffle tickets for the bicycle drawing, a film tour t-shirt, and a New Belgium beer! Shifts include: set-up crew from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; event crew from 6-10 p.m. (this includes beer servers\*, ID checkers, bike valets, and information booth); and clean-up crew from 10 p.m.-1 a.m. \*Those interested in being a server must complete the temporary bartender application found here: http://simplycsl.org/clips/ Minimum age is 21. Please contact Steve or Zoe Dean at sdean@bluemarble.net or 812-829-9238 (www.simplycsl.org)

#### Girls Inc. After-School Program

Girls Inc.'s mission is to inspire all girls to be strong, smart and bold! You can help them do just that as an after-school program volunteer, where you will work directly with girls ages 5 to 17. Volunteers act as mentors and are responsible for safety, helping with homework, and being a positive adult role model. Both community members and college students are needed. Students who need experience working with youth will find that Girls Inc. is a great place to practice group management and teaching skills. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Daisy Chew at (812) 336-7313 or dchew@monroe.girls-inc.org. (www.girlsinc-monroe.org)

### **Food Delivery for The Hub**

Mother Hubbard's Cupboard has a food delivery program for homebound clients and would like your assistance delivering the food. Once a week, between 3 and 6 p.m. on a day arranged by the shopper and the client, each volunteer shops at the food pantry for his or her household, then delivers the food. Mother Hubbard's Cupboard prefers that delivery nearby be done by bicycle. Car delivery is ok outside of this area. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Erin Marshall at (812) 355-6843 or erin@mhcfoodpantry.org. (www.mhcfoodpantry.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

